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## NEWS ITEMS FROM CAMP

### Appointments, Promotions, Transfers and Assignments. Colonel Slocum at Douglas.

1st Lieutenant Clarence Lanning, 15th cavalry, is transferred from Troop I to Troop E.

1st Lieutenant John T. Donnelly, 15th cavalry, is assigned to Troop I.

Captain George Williams is relieved as summary court and 1st Lieutenant J. B. Henry, Jr., is detailed in his stead.

Private Alfred C. Turner, Troop L, has been appointed corporal vice Hurnburg reduced.

Corporal Robert Briggs, M. G. T., has been appointed sergeant vice Peterson discharged.

Corporal Walter P. Richardson, Troop B, has been appointed sergeant vice Leedy retired.

Private Harry L. Greenwalt, M. G. T., is appointed corporal vice Briggs promoted.

The following unassigned recruits having reported at this station are assigned to Troops as follows:

Troop B: Janowski, Dale, Grull, Troop C: Pappie, Westman and Dorgan.

Troop D: Hayes, Lohla, Hamel, Tamm, Thompson, Cox, Ronder, Jacobs, Williams, Sherman, Rohardt, Muter.

Troop F: Heshares, Willis.

Troop K: Wroblek, Howland, McCarty, Fitzgerald, Markow, and Derry.

The following named recruits are detailed for duty with the Machine Gun Troop: Janowski, Pappie, Hayes, Wroblek.

Private Frederick W. Schmidt, Troop E, is appointed corporal vice Couch promoted.

Private Andrew Lashin, Troop M, has been appointed corporal vice Japenski promoted.

Private O'Donnell, Troop M, is relieved from sentinel duty at the Post Exchange and Private Tamm, same Troop, is detailed in his stead.

Colonel Slocum assumed command of the Second Cavalry Brigade on the 1st instant, with station at Douglas, Ariz.

Private Uless G. Mill, Troop K, has been transferred to the Q. M. C. at Columbus, N. M.

Privates Robert G. Carey and Cecil B. Passey, Troop K, 15th Cavalry reported for duty at this station with Pack Train, No. 10, having been transferred to the Q. M. C.

Private Carl Sharp, Troop L, has been transferred to the Q. M. C. at this station.

The following men have been discharged by purchase:

Pvt. 1st class Joseph M. Kolbe, Hosp. Corps, Sergeant William House, Troop C, M. G. T. 15th Cav. Pvt. Jesse E. Sizer, Troop M, 15th Cavalry.

Corporal Robert R. Maxwell recently transferred from Troop K to the 15th Cavalry has been transferred back to Troop K, 15th Cav. as corporal.

There is nothing to say about the baseball game of last Sunday, everybody seemed to be pleased with the exceptionally fast playing of both teams, especially the left field playing Rivers. The result of the game was declared a tie by the Club umpire and will be played over about this time next year. We hope all who were present enjoy the contest.

### A Good Exhibit For Fair

The products for the exhibit at the state fair were packed and shipped first of the week. There was some good stuff in the shipment and we ought to take some prizes. The wear and tear in handling and shipping such a long distance is one disadvantage and the stuff will not show up as good as it really was. B. D. Gregg and Powell had in the collection some Indian corn that was hard to beat in any country. Each crop had received two irrigations and the ears were large and well matured. Mr. Powell also had some unusually fine specimens of white maize and feteita. H. J. Kane sure can raise corn without water, too. He grew the largest and best cane there was in the shipment and it was without irrigation. Darrow and Gird take the lead among the farmers of the valley. In all they have about one hundred acres in crops this year and it is all good stuff. They have not irrigated anything and their contributions to the exhibit compared very favorably with the best. They both expect to double their acreage next year. Mr. Stevenson also had some very fine crops. His maize was extra ordinary.

From the specimens of sudan grass brought in we believe it to be one of the best crops for this section. Mr. Bent's sudan grass that was irrigated was over seven feet high and from one seed there was seventy-one stalks. Gird's and Darrow's sudan was not as good as that but the height was about the same. J. B. Stone has some of the grass that is much taller, though it was planted earlier. Mr. Stone has grown a lot of feed this year and expects to cultivate his whole farm next year. His crops were too early for us to get anything to send to the fair, most everything having been harvested.

In the future there will no doubt be much more attention devoted to dry farming in the valley. The showing being made this year is very gratifying and the season has not been as favorable this year as it generally is. The man who gives his attention to a good crop of cattle, irrigates a small garden and orchard, and properly dry farms as much of his tract as possible, is, according to the writers judgment, the man who will make good in the Lower Rio Grande.

The order transferring Corporal M. Thumma, Troop I, 15th Cav. to the 13th Cav. is rescinded.

Mr. Coulter, better known as "Gasoline Gus of the Jitney Bus," a modern speaking, took a party for a spin to the border gate Sunday evening. Those in the party were Messrs. McAdams, Kolber, Samer, Doty, and Minton. No one was seriously injured.

Shoe Repairing done right at the right price.—Ed Archer. M

The troops of the command fought a sham battle Thursday evening one mile east of town. Blank ammunition, bombs, hand grenades, etc. were used and the people of town who had not been informed of the project decided that Pancho had crossed the line.

Dr. J. Old Hamilton, of Tulsa, Okla., New Mexico, is in town this week doing dental work.

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## A REMINDER

No man in the world ever attempted to wrong another without being injured in return—some way :: somehow :: sometime. The only weapon of defense nature seems to recognize is the boomerang

### Waterloo News Items

F. F. Bain is putting up a new barn.

John Harris went to Columbus Thursday to meet a friend from his home in Louisiana.

The Peterson boys started to school at Denning Monday.

Mr. Powell is helping at the Kato garden today.

Miss Doty and daughter, Mrs. Harris, were shopping in Columbus Tuesday.

S. C. Pierce and Frank Chapman brought out a load of sweet fencing and a load of oil for the Pierce ranch last Saturday.

Miss Mabel Carter came out from Denning Saturday for a visit with home folks, returning Sunday night with the Kansas Union.

Chas. Mayfield is spending most of his time chasing range cattle around over the landscape. He does not seem at all threatened for the help in gathering his range, and his language is almost as forcible as a Billy Sunday revival sermon.

### Takes Another Lynx Scalp

W. C. Miller got another lynx at his ranch last Sunday evening just before dark. It was around its way toward the canyon house when Mr. Miller first discovered it. He got his trusty shotgun in readiness and when the lynx got in range he gave it a good shot of shot which brought him down. It was a female and probably a mate to the one killed by Mr. Miller some time ago. He also shot a coyote some time ago using the shotgun.

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G. E. PARKS, Editor

Signed and subscribed before me this 5th day of October, 1915.

W. C. HOOVER, Notary Public. My commission expires January 15, 1917.

### A New Post Office Building

J. R. Blair was here first of the week and let a contract to L. J. Peach to erect a building just west of the present post office building. The structure will not be very large but will be of sufficient size for the post office which will be located in same when completed.

Work was begun Tuesday morning and it is expected that the house will be completed and ready for occupancy by the first day of November.

### Attractions at State Fair

Do you want to hear the world series baseball games reported day for day even down to the balls, strikes and fouls? Do you want to sit in a comfortable seat and enjoy the contest for the greatest baseball honors in the world just as if you were in the grandstand at Boston or Philadelphia?

If you do, the only way to arrange it is to come to Albuquerque to the State Fair next week. By special arrangement with the two Albuquerque newspapers, the Morning Journal and the Evening Herald, the State Fair management has installed an electric scoreboard in the grandstand at Traction park and visitors to the fair will have every play photographed before them just as it takes place.

This is the latest of the innumerable amusement features arranged for by the authorities in charge of the fair. And it is only a small part of the program for the entertainment of the thousands who will come to Albuquerque next week. On the opening day of the fair there will be a football game between the University of New Mexico and the New Mexico Military Institute which will be one of the greatest contests in college athletics during the year. Every day afterwards there will be horse racing of a caliber that has not been known of in the west before. At night there will be fireworks, the midway shows of the Brundage carnival company, the greatest wire-walking performance ever seen in the United States, the concerts of the Kilties' band and many other attractions to hold the undivided attention of the big crowds that will be present.

A bureau of information is to be conducted during the fair at the Santa Fe railroad station for the benefit of all the visitors to Albuquerque at that time. A complete list of all the hotels, cafes and rooming houses, with the rates of each, will be on file and every consideration possible will be shown strangers in the city. No extortion or raising of rates will be tolerated. The aim of the fair management is to have every one who comes to Albuquerque at that time feel that he or she is a guest of the city and to go away with a better opinion of the town and its people than ever before.

The tents for the big exhibit buildings have arrived and put in place and many of the exhibits themselves are now installed. Everything is ready to ring the curtain up on the biggest of all shows, which will begin next Monday at noon in the presence of the greatest crowd ever gathered in Albuquerque.

Miss Phyllis Moore, who has been on the sick list for the past few days, is able to be out again.

### OIL COMPANY

#### ORGANIZED

Southwestern Oil Development Company ready to incorporate. Capitalized at \$5,000,000.00

The Southwestern Oil Development Company was organized this week and articles of incorporation drawn up. The capital stock is \$5,000,000 and is divided into 500,000 \$10 shares. The company have under their control at present about 15,000 acres of land most of which is in the vicinity of the wells in which oil and gas was discovered two years ago.

The officers of the company are, Dr. R. M. Marshall, president; William Farrell, vice president; H. M. Reed, secretary; J. L. Greenwood, treasurer. The officers are all residents of Columbus, New Mexico.

G. E. MacIntosh, of Las Cruces, attorney for the company, spent a few days here this week preparing the articles of incorporation and same will soon be filed with the state corporation commission.

The incorporators are men of business ability and they have gone over the field thoroughly and received advice and information from experts and are going to do much in the development of the oil fields.

### Conserve Your Moisture

Denver, Colorado, October 7.—Expression of regret at the war and strife in Europe which he declared were "emphasized" by the absence from our camp of delegates from certain European countries" were expressed today by Congressman F. W. Mondell, of Wyoming, president of the International Dry Farming congress, in his address at the opening of the thirteenth annual convention.

Mr. Mondell said scientific methods of moisture conserving alone will make farming uniformly safe and profitable in regions of normally limited rainfall.

"More than half the cultivated and cultivatable areas of our country and of the earth," he said, "does not have normal precipitation sufficient to insure growth of profitable crops except by effective methods of moisture conservation."

The speaker stated his observations showed that best results in dry farming regions are secured by scientific methods of moisture conserving and biennial cropping. He warned his hearers against neglect in these respects, saying:

"Gambling never pays in the long run, and its hazards are never greater than when one stakes his enterprise on the hope that nature will depart from her normal attitude in favor of his venture."

### The Ladies Aid

Mrs. L. J. Peach entertained the ladies of the Aid Wednesday. Preparations are being made by the ladies for the annual bazaar which will be held in a few weeks.

Mrs. and Mrs. Thompson arrived here from Arizona Thursday and will open a studio in the quarters formerly occupied by the Columbus Bakery.

### HELPING IMMIGRANTS

In a modern six-story apartment house in New York there is what might be termed a "family club." It is one erected by the Educational Alliance, which has recently completed its twenty-fifth year, and is intended as a gathering place for the foreign parents as well as the American and offspring of the congested tenements. Here are classes in domestic art and science, civil service classes, classes for adult immigrants, trade classes, physical training and language. There are concerts and lectures in English and in Yiddish, and besides this several building conducted by the Alliance there are several day branches and two vacation homes, a camp for boys and a summer cottage for girls.

### IN NO MOOD FOR ENTERTAINING.

Mrs. Benham—John, I think there's a man under the bed.

Benham—Well, you talk to him and let me sleep.

### PART HATTENING.

"Talking about the importance of the primaries."

"Yes, but they are now of secondary importance."

### JUST DO.

"Youth will be served."

"But the water pumps with great electricity for the oppressed fat man who looks like a baby."

### SAVED BY A SHELL.

The captain, commander, torpedo lieutenant and another officer of the Blucher only escaped going down with their ship by a most extraordinary coincidence.

They were in the strangled conning tower when the vessel began to list over from the effects of the British fire. They were preparing to leave it, as she was manifestly sinking, when a shell struck it with such force that the door jammed and could not be opened.

They resigned themselves to death, and, making a virtue of necessity, were preparing to go down with the ship, when a second shell struck the conning tower and blew the top clean off. Thus a way was opened for them to escape, thanks to the mercy, of which they availed themselves.

In the long list of semi-amorous occurrences it would surely be hard to find one to beat this.

### THE STYLE.

"How do they serve meals from that lunch wagon?"

"I don't know exactly, but I suppose they serve them a la cart."